20

CLAIMS



1. A positioning system comprising:

one or more satellites configured to transmit signals;

- a broadcast station configured to transmit an assistance signal; and
- a receiver configured to receive said signals and said assistance signal.
- 2. The positioning system of claim 1 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more Doppler frequencies for said satellites.
- 3. The positioning system of claim 1 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more locations for said satellites.
- 4. The positioning system of claim 1 wherein said assistance signal includes a list of one or more satellites that are currently available.
- 5. The positioning system of claim 1 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more navigation bits in said signals from said satellites.
 - 6. The system of claim 1 wherein said receiver is a computing device.
 - 7. The system of claim 6 wherein said computing device is a cellular phone.

25

20

- 8. The system of claim 6 wherein said computing device is a personal digital assistant.
- 9. The system of claim 1 wherein said signals and said assistance signals are obtained via a computer network.
 - 10. The system of claim 9 wherein said computer network is the Internet.
 - 11. A method for using a positioning system comprising: transmitting signals from one or more satellites; transmitting an assistance signal from a broadcast station; and receiving said signals and said assistance signal with a receiver.
 - 12. The method of claim 11 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more Doppler frequencies for said satellites.
 - 13. The method of claim 11 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more locations for said satellites.
 - 14. The method of claim 11 wherein said assistance signal includes a list of one or more satellites that are currently available.

5

- The method of claim 11 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more navigation bits in said signals from said satellites.
 - 16. The method of claim 11 wherein said receiver is a computing device.
 - 17. The method of claim 16 wherein said computing device is a cellular phone.
- 18. The method of claim 16 wherein said computing device is a personal digital assistant.
- 19. The method of claim 11 wherein said signals and said assistance signals are obtained via a computer network.
 - 20. The system of claim 19 wherein said computer network is the Internet.
 - 21. A computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein configured to find the position of an object, said computer program product comprising:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to transmit signals from one or / more satellites;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to transmit an assistance signal from a broadcast station; and

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to receive said signals and said assistance signal with a receiver.

- The computer program product of claim 21 wherein said assistance signal
 includes one or more Doppler frequencies for said satellites.
 - 23. The computer program product of claim 21 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more locations for said satellites.
 - 24. The computer program product of claim 21 wherein said assistance signal includes a list of one or more satellites that are currently available.
 - 25. The computer program product of claim 21 wherein said assistance signal includes one or more navigation bits in said signals from said satellites.
 - 26. The computer program product of claim 21 wherein said receiver is a computing device.
- 27. The computer program product of claim 26 wherein said computing device is a cellular phone.
 - 28. The computer program product of claim 26 wherein said computing device is a personal digital assistant.

- 29. The computer program product of claim 21 wherein said signals and said assistance signals are obtained via a computer network.
- 5 30. The computer program product of claim 29 wherein said computer network is the Internet.